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SUBJECT: Post-Assassination Work Program

1. Preparations for the Funeral. The Department of State (NEA) will prepare Scope Papers, Contingent Bilateral Meeting Papers, Background Papers, Public Statements, Schedules and Scenarios for the Head of Delegation and members of the Delegation in accordance with the separate State tasking memo of October 6. These are due to S/S-S by COB, Wednesday, October 7.

(NOTE: The bilateral meeting papers referred to above should be prepared for use by the Head of Delegation in meetings with foreign counterparts while in Cairo as distinguished from follow-on meetings by the Secretary of State and others after the funeral in Cairo and elsewhere which are addressed in paragraphs 4 and 5 below.)

2. Bilateral Meetings. The Department of State (NEA) will prepare a decision memo for the Secretary containing recommendations for bilateral meetings between the Head of Delegation (or others) and foreign counterparts while in Cairo. This is due to S/S-S by COB October 7.

3. Presidential Information Memorandum on Regional Security Issues. The Departments of State (PM) and Defense (ISA) will prepare a joint Haig-Weinberger memo to the President covering the following issues:

- U.S. readiness measures already taken.
- Other near-term measures to enhance deterrence of radical Arab activities vis-a-vis Sudan and Egypt (e.g. combined exercises).
- Possibilities for accelerated Security Assistance to Sudan and Egypt (to include Legislative and Presidential requirements).
- Other ongoing contingency planning.

This memo is due to S/S-S by COB Wednesday, October 7.

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4. Post-Funeral Exchanges in Cairo. The Departments of State (PM, coordinate with NEA) and Defense (ISA), drawing upon the memo outlined in para 3, will prepare separate but coordinated memoranda for their principals to be used in post-funeral exchanges with Egyptian and Sudanese politico-military officials. The memos should address: issues to be discussed (to include tic marks in para 3 above); and talking points. Once coordinated, these memos should be submitted to principals by noon Thursday, October 8.

5. Post-Funeral Visits. The Department of State (NEA, coordinate with PM and DOD) should prepare a memorandum for the Secretary of State containing analysis and recommendations for post-funeral visits by one or more State/Defense teams to selected Middle East capitals to discuss politico-military issues with each government. This memorandum is due in S/S-S by COB Wednesday, October 7. In anticipation of approval, detailed background material and talking points should be prepared (by NEA with input from PM and DOD) for each proposed stop. These should be coordinated and prepared in final form by COB Thursday, October 8.

6. Security Assistance Legislation. The Department of State (PM, coordinate with NEA and DOD) should prepare for the Secretary of State (with Sec/Pres enclosed) an analysis of appropriate changes to the FY 82 (if appropriate) and FY 83 Security Assistance programs together with Legislative initiatives required. Due date in suspense.

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